Mountain Weather Forecast

South Grampian and Southeast Highlands

Including South and East Cairngorms National Park, Aberdeenshire and Angus Hills, Ben Vrackie, Ben Lawers, Loch Tay and Ochils
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 23 Nov 2023 until 23:59 on Friday 24 Nov 2023

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 22 Nov 2023 at 14:41 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Low for extent of any precipitation on Sunday and Monday.

Headline for Thursday 23 Nov 2023: Early rain, then bright and cold with scattered snow showers most frequent in the north.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 23 Nov 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** Low Likelihood
Gales High Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** High Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Heavy Rain	Light rain	Sunny intervals	Heavy snow showers	Heavy snow	Light snow	Light snow
Precipitation probability							
40%	40%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%

Forecast for Thursday 23 Nov 2023

Weather: Cloudy with patchy rain or higher summit snow in the hours of darkness. The rest of the day will see sunny spells and occasional sleet and snow showers, these most frequent across the southern Cairngorms and Perthshire hills. Snow will fall to increasingly lower levels through the day.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 70%

Low Cloud and visibility: Poor in areas of cloud down to 700 to 1000 metres, this quite widespread at first.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	64/79 W	63/79 W	61/77 W	51/65 W	48/63 W	47/62 W	46/60 NW	35/47 NW	32/45 NW
900	48/63 W	47/63 W	46/62 W	39/53 W	37/51 W	35/50 W	33/47 NW	26/38 NW	24/36 NW
600	34/57 W	33/55 W	32/54 W	28/48 W	27/46 W	26/46 W	23/41 NW	19/35 NW	17/33 NW
300	20/42 W	18/39 W	19/41 W	16/35 W	15/31 W	18/40 NW	18/38 NW	16/34 NW	16/36 NW
Glen	19/39 W	17/35 W	19/39 W	17/35 W	14/29 W	15/34 W	15/34 NW	13/28 NW	11/27 NW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	4/-5	4/-5	2/-8	-0/-10	-2/-12	-2/-13	-4/-14	-4/-14	-6/-16
900	6/-1	6/-1	4/-4	2/-6	0/-8	-0/-9	-2/-10	-2/-10	-4/-12
600	8/3	8/3	6/1	4/-2	3/-3	2/-5	1/-6	-0/-7	-1/-8
300	11/7	10/7	9/6	7/4	6/2	5/-0	3/-2	3/-2	1/-4
Glen	12/9	12/8	10/7	8/4	8/4	6/2	4/-0	3/-1	2/-2
Freezing Level*	1900m	1900m	1500m	1100m	800m	700m	600m	500m	300m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Summit gale or severe gales throughout will lead to severe wind chill along with buffeting and a risk of being blown over. Icy surfaces possible following overnight rain.

Forecast for Friday 24 Nov 2023

Weather: The morning will see scattered snow and hail showers across the southern Cairngorms and Perthshire hills. The afternoon will be dry with sunny intervals.

Maximum wind: Northwesterly 35 mph gust 45 mph, but gusting nearer 60 mph across the southern Cairngorms at first

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 70%, cloudiest across the southern Cairngorms

Low Cloud and visibility: Excellent visibility and air clarity outside of cloud. Areas of cloud expected across the north of the region down to 750 to 1000 metres and this may linger across the higher summits here well into the afternoon. Less in the way of hill fog in the south of the area.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 1 rising to 5 Celsius
At 800m: Minus 2 Celsius
Freezing level: 300 metres

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